



CULPEPER MINUTES

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This newsletter is a quarterly publication to the citizens of Culpeper County by the Board of Supervisors. It is designed to present and provide information about issues affecting those who live in Culpeper. Approximately 18,000 copies are distributed, one to each mail address in Town, County, and to each U.S.P.S. Box within the Town and County of Culpeper.

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A Message from the Board of Supervisors

Dear Citizens:

Greetings to everyone. When you receive this letter, spring should be in full bloom, and another budget process should be nearing completion. It seems that the budget becomes more difficult each year, as we try to balance and prioritize needs, while trying to keep taxes at a minimum. The challenges we face in this arena are many.

The Culpeper Community Complex sports fields are coming along well. We look forward to a grand opening next year. The Planning Commission has been working to develop a new Comprehensive Plan (see related article inside). Also, the Board-Docs system is up and running, so that citizens can see all materials related to the Board of Supervisors' agenda items online from the comfort of home, and in advance of our monthly meetings. There are so many things going on, and we hope that this newsletter, the Culpeper Minutes, is helpful in keeping our citizens informed.

The Board of Supervisors and staff are here to assist you. Please do not hesitate to contact any Board member or staff member with questions, concerns, or comments.

For the Board,

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Meetings of the Board of Supervisors are held the first Tuesday of each month: at 10 a.m. for general County business and at 7 p.m. for a public forum, planning business and public hearings. Agendas are available prior to the meetings at the Library, on the County website at www.culpepercounty.gov and minutes are available following the meetings. Video coverage is provided by Channel 21.

CULPEPER COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION QUARTERLY REPORT

Welcome to the Planning Commission Quarterly Report. The primary issue of importance to the Commission at this time is the continued development of the new 2005 Comprehensive Plan. During the month of February, the Commission held a series of community meetings in order to gather public comments on the initial draft. Meetings were held at five locations: Rapidan, Jeffersonton, Brandy Station, Reva, and in Town. Attendance was varied, with an average of about 30 citizens at each location. Input received was very helpful, and we appreciate all of those who took time to come out and spend a couple of hours discussing the draft 2005 Plan. As a reminder, the draft is available for viewing by the public at www.culpepercounty.gov under Planning and Zoning. The Commission and staff will be refining the Plan and hope to hold a formal public hearing by May. Once the Commission has recommended a new Plan, it will be considered for adoption by the Board of Supervisors.

In other Planning Commission news, a new member, Dewayne Payne, Jr. joined the Commission in February. Mr. Payne fills the position previously held by Mr. David Cubbage, whose term expired. We wish to thank Mr. Cubbage for his excellent service and many contributions to the Planning Commission.

Following a brief lull in Commission business, the agenda items for the Commission are again mounting. The Commission agenda is also available for viewing online, and regular monthly meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors meeting room at 302 N. Main Street. We invite you to join us!

Culpeper County's Employee of the Month

September

Heather Borders

Commonwealth Attorney's Office

October

Doug Miller

Environmental Services

November

Janet Kilby

Sheriff's Office

December

Doris Clatterbuck

Human Services

January

Todd Frazier

Information Technology



Congressman Eric Cantor

During my recent visit to Culpeper, I had an opportunity to speak with local business men, women, and officials. With out a doubt there are many great things happening in Culpeper which contribute to our growing economy, excellent education system, and local business development. We must continue to work together to accomplish great things.

I was first elected to Congress in 2000, after serving nine years in the Virginia House of Delegates. Once elected, I began work to help facilitate the expansion of the Culpeper National Cemetery. Working along with officials at the U.S Department of Veterans Affairs, officials with the Town of Culpeper and others, we saw the purchase of an additional twelve acres of land. This additional land was important for the community. It is a tribute to the commitment and sacrifices our veterans made to ensure America has the freedoms that exist today.

Since 2000, you elected me to serve in both the 108th and 109th Congresses. In the 108th Congress I was appointed Chief Deputy Whip, which allows me a seat at the Leadership table where I help to set the policy agenda in Congress and advance the interest of my constituents.

I also serve on the House Ways and Means Committee, which has direct jurisdiction over taxes, trade, Social Security, Medicare, prescription drugs for seniors, health care and welfare reform. This year, as a Member of this Committee, I will work on legislation to strengthen Social Security for today's seniors and to ensure its future for our children and grandchildren.

This year, President Bush has laid out an ambitious legislative agenda for his second term. The House has already agreed to a transportation bill and passed a budget that funds our nation's priorities, while beginning the process of reigning in runaway federal spend-

ing.

In regard to Virginia's priorities, there has been a lot of concern about the condition of our highways and how this impacts our economy and job growth. Knowing that Culpeper is in need of improvements along route 15/29, I worked to secure \$2 million in the 2005 Transportation Bill for the widening of route 15/29.

As the economy continues to improve, we must continue to look for ways to bring more jobs to our local communities. I have been working with Culpeper officials and the Library of Congress on the National Audio Visual Conservation Center. Over the last two years, I have worked to secure over \$25 million in federal funding for the Center. Once completed, the Center will hold over one million films and

television programs and nearly three million sound recordings.

In November, while in Culpeper, I had the opportunity to tour the construction site of the new conservation center and saw first-hand the great progress that is being made. This Center is an innovative approach for the preservation of American history and literature. It is going to be a great destination for all

Americans and will bring more jobs to Culpeper.

During the course of this year, I would love to hear your thoughts on issues facing you and your family. In addition to my Capitol Hill office in Washington, I have offices in Culpeper and in Richmond. My district representative in Culpeper is Barbara Taylor. She can be reached at 763 Madison Road, Suite 207, and at 540-825-8960. In addition, you can contact me at 1-800-438-3793.

I also encourage you to log online and visit my website at <http://cantor.house.gov/>. I look forward to hearing from you.



(Far Left) Gregory Lukow, Chief of the Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division
(Center) Congressman Eric Cantor
(Far Right) Deanna Marcum, Assistant Librarian for Library Services

Culpeper County Board of Supervisors

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**The Board meets
the 1st Tuesday
of each month
10 a.m.**
**General County Business
7 p.m.**
**Public Forum
Planning Business
Public Hearings**

Agendas are available prior to Board Meetings on the County Website at www.culpepercounty.gov and in the Culpeper County Library

Culpeper County Voter Registration

The Registrar's Office is gearing up for a busy spring. The current count as of March 1, 2005 is 23,023 registered voters.

The statewide dual primary will be held on June 14, 2005. The last day to register to vote is May 16, 2005 by 5:00 pm. The deadline to apply for absentee ballots by mail is June 9, to apply in person is June 11. The polls open at 6:00 am and close at 7:00 pm.

For questions, please call the Registrar's office at 540/825-8441.

CULPEPER COUNTY 4th HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY



PUT HAZARDOUS WASTE IN ITS PLACE!

WHEN? SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2005
9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

WHERE? WILL BE HELD AT:
Parking lots of Floyd T. Binns Middle School
and School Maintenance Department

WHAT HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTES WILL BE ACCEPTED?

- ♦ Paints (latex and oil based)
- ♦ Paint Thinners and Solvents
- ♦ Household Batteries
- ♦ Motor Oil
- ♦ Antifreeze
- ♦ Solid/Liquid Pesticides
- ♦ Poisons
- ♦ Aerosol Cans



- ♦ Acids
- ♦ Adhesives
- ♦ Household Cleaners
- ♦ Oxidizers (such as pool chemicals/bleach)
- ♦ Photographic Chemicals
- ♦ Unwanted fuels (such as gasoline and kerosene)
- ♦ Corrosives (such as ammonia & drain cleaner)
- ♦ Insecticides/Pesticides/Herbicides

While these products make our lives easier, they can harm our families, our pets and our environment if not used and disposed of properly. Americans create about two million tons of household hazardous waste each year!

WHAT WASTES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED?

- WASTE FROM COMMERCIAL GENERATORS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED
- Ammunition, explosives, compressed gas cylinders, and unidentifiable materials.
- Biological, Medical or Radioactive Wastes

HOW DO I PREPARE MY WASTE FOR TRANSPORT?

- Bring household hazardous waste in original containers or in clearly labeled, leak-proof containers, making sure lids are tight.
- If a container leaks, pack contents and container in a larger package and use an absorbent material, such as cat litter, to soak up the leak.

WHY PARTICIPATE IN A COLLECTION EVENT?

The improper disposal of household hazardous waste can not only harm the environment, but is also a threat to human health. Hazardous waste does not belong in the garbage, toilet, storm drain, or on the ground. It can kill wildlife and pets, pollute the soil, threaten underground water reserves or be carried away by surface waters to lakes and streams.

For further information, please contact: **Culpeper County Department of Environmental Services (540) 727-3409**



Culpeper County Library

Summer Programs at the Culpeper County Library for Children and Teens

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM!!!

The Summer Reading Program at the Culpeper County Library begins Monday, June 20 and runs through July 31. It will be a *FUNtastic* summer. There are weekly Storytimes for children of all ages beginning Tuesday, June 28 at 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. through Tuesday July 26.



**CLIFFORD WILL BE AT
THE LIBRARY
MONDAY & TUESDAY,
JUNE 20 & 21.**

SPECIAL APPEARANCES THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER!!!

IT'S A BIRD! IT'S A PLANE! NO. IT'S CAPTAIN KIDZO!

Thursday, June 23 – 10:30, 2:30, and 7:00. The official kick-off for the Summer Reading Program is June 23rd when Captain Kidzo comes to town. His motto: You can be a Reading Super Hero, too! Captain Kidzo will perform music, singing, juggling, stories and rap in a high-energy, interactive show.



MAGIC 4 U!

Wednesday, July 13, 7:00 p.m. and Thursday, July 14, 10:30 and 7:00. Children will experience this fun quick-paced program that includes amazing magic, balloons, storytelling and great family humor. The show is packed with strong visuals and wonderful storytelling that reinforces the importance of reading.

LEARNING SAFARI

Thursday, July 28 – 10:30, 2:30, and 7:00

Children will encounter the exciting and mysterious world of the tropical rain forest when the Leesburg Animal Park comes to visit. Their program, the LIVING RAINFOREST, includes a live animal presentation and the opportunity to recreate the sounds of a rain forest thunderstorm. The presentation teaches the importance of conservation and shows the relationship between animals and their habitat and predators and their prey.

PLUS, MANY OTHER SURPRISES!! For updates and more information, check out the Library's web site at <http://tlc.library.net/culpeper> or contact us at 825-8691.





Culpeper County Library (*continued*)

TEENS READ. Simple: you choose the book, do a short review, win cool prizes. It's the summer reading program for teens. Beginning June 20.



TEENS! Are you dramatic? Smart? Athletic? A health nut? Do dance? Dance revolution? Any or all of the above? We need you to help produce a special program for teens, by teens at the Culpeper County Library, *Get Real, Get Fit!* Contact Susanna Spencer at 825-8691.

For more information about these programs, go to our web site at <http://tlc.library.net/culpeper> check the newspapers each week, or call the library at 825-8691.

Library's Gone to the Dogs!

A program especially for children who would benefit from the opportunity to read to an audience that provides total, unconditional acceptance—i.e. a dog! Beginning this spring the Welcome Waggers bring their therapy dogs to the library May 22 at 10:30 a.m. For more information, contact Youth Services Librarian Susanna Spencer at 825-8691.



Don't forget Dial-a-Story at 825-0555. It's free.
The stories change each week, so be sure to call often.



Friends

The Friends of Culpeper County Library and the Culpeper County Library present their first-ever storytelling event for grownups, *Scenes from the Dim, Smoky Past: Mama's Stories*, an afternoon of original stories from storyteller, author, and playwright Linda Goodman at the library on Sunday, May 15 at 2:30 p.m. Free tickets will be available beginning April 18.

Goodman is a native of Virginia's Appalachian Mountains, where she learned the art of storytelling from her father, a former coal miner who was himself a master yarnspinner. She has performed her original and traditional tales around the country and in 1995 was awarded the *Excellence in Storytelling Award* by the *Storytelling Institute* at Southern Connecticut State University. Her works have been published in various publications, including *Chicken Soup for the Mother's Soul* and *Stories for the Family Heart*. Her book *Daughters of the Appalachians* is available through Overmountain Press.

In *Scenes from the Dim, Smoky Past: Mama's Stories*, Goodman's reflective tales range from funny to poignant and touch upon experiences that are common to everyone, regardless of background. A central character in these stories is Goodman's mother, an Appalachian woman who lives her life by the folk wisdom handed down to her by her ancestors. The overall effect is a well-rounded and entertaining evening. Be forewarned that one of the stories does contain a "Santa Claus" spoiler, so this event is truly recommended for grownups and children who can listen like grownups.

Goodman debuted the show at the Storytelling Institute of Southern Connecticut State University in June of 1994 and has performed it many times since at various venues around the country. "The stories are mesmerizing and totally captivating," enthuses Dr. Gwendolyn Nowlan, dean of the Department of Library Science at Southern Connecticut and the Institute's director. "I was swept away by every one of them."

In addition to her performance, Goodman will be available to sign copies of her book, *Daughters of the Appalachians*, a series of monologues that tell the stories of six unique Appalachian women, each of whom offers a glimpse at a way of life that is fast fading



Culpeper County Library (*continued*)

away.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOKSTORE HOURS:



Monday: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday: 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

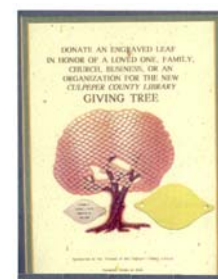
Thursday: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

You will find books and related materials for all ages and interests. Our prices are truly a bargain. Also, look over our offerings on the bookstore shelf, located to the right as you enter the Library. Donations of new or used books are accepted during all regular library hours. If you would like to volunteer, please call Jean Harris at 829-4950.

While you're in the book store, take a close look at the Friends canvas book bags - so convenient and only \$6.00. We recommend them for carrying home all the great used books you'll be buying. Most of the books are \$.50 for hardbacks and \$.25 for paperbacks.

Support the Summer Reading Program and other library activities by sponsoring a leaf on the Giving Tree located in the Meeting Room at the Library. Your tax-deductible gift includes a four line inscription of your choice. Applications may be picked up at the Circulation Desk.



THE CULPEPER COUNTY LIBRARY'S THIRD THURSDAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

meet at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room each month. A list of books selected for discussion is available at the Circulation Desk. Books on the list may be borrowed from the Library or purchased from The Corner Shelf at a discount.

May 19 - *The Rosewood Casket* by Sharyn McCrumb

June 16 - *Foreign Correspondence* by Geraldine Brooks

July 15 - *The Beekeeper's Apprentice* by Laurie R. King (Note: This meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. only and includes a potluck dinner and selection of next year's books for discussion.) We welcome all new members - come join us!



HeritageQuest Online:

The Library has available a "unique, growing collection of research materials for tracing family history and American culture." Amateur or professional genealogists may now use this "powerful online library, with original page images for all documents," either at home or at the Library. Simply go to our homepage and link up!

Culpeper County Library

271 Southgate Shopping Center

<http://tlc.library.net/culpeper>

540-825-8691

REGIONAL ADULT EDUCATION

PLANNING DISTRICT #9

CULPEPER, MADISON, ORANGE & RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTIES



Many adults who did not complete a high school program of instruction have continued to learn through a variety of experiences encountered in everyday life. The purpose of the GED Testing Program is to provide an opportunity for these individuals to have the learning, acquired from such educational experiences, evaluated and recognized. The GED Tests

make it possible for qualified individuals to earn a high school credential, thus providing opportunities for hundreds of thousands of adults to:

- Pursue higher education
- Obtain jobs or job promotions
- Achieve personal goals

WHAT ARE THE GED TESTS?

The Tests of General Education Development (GED Tests) are internationally recognized. They have been designed to measure major academic skills and knowledge in core content areas that are learned during four years of high school. When an adult passes the 7 ½ hour GED Test battery, the resulting GED credential certifies that he or she has attained subject matter knowledge and skills associated with high school completion. The GED Test battery includes the following subject area tests:

- Language Arts, Writing
- Social Studies
- Science
- Language Arts, Reading
- Mathematics

The GED Tests are offered in English and Spanish

Register for Adult Classes in your area for **GED** Preparation, or work on your reading, writing and math skills.

Call for information (540) 825-0476

Carver Center GED - 9:00 -12:00 noon/Tues. & Thurs.

Carver Center, 9432 James Madison Highway, Rapidan, VA

Culpeper GED -5:30-8:00 p.m./Tues. & Thurs.

Culpeper Literacy Council, 415 S. Main Street, Suite 204, Culpeper, VA

Culpeper Literacy Council GED -9:00 –11:30 a.m./Mon. & Wed.

415 S. Main Street, Suite 204, Culpeper, VA

Culpeper/Rappahannock ESOL-English As A Second Language

6:30-9:00 p.m./Tues. & Thurs.

Culpeper Career Resource Center, 219 E. Davis Street, Culpeper, VA

& Culpeper Depot, 113 S. Commerce St., Culpeper, VA

GED Fast Track-5:30-8:30 p.m./Mon. & Thurs.

Carver Center, 9432 James Madison Highway, Rapidan, VA

Morning ESOL-9:00-11:30 a.m./Mon. & Wed.

Carver Center, 9432 James Madison Highway., Rapidan, VA

Regional TFL-5:30-8:00 p.m./Mon. & Thurs.

Carver Center, 9432 James Madison Highway, Rapidan, VA

Literacy Council of Madison GED - 9:30 -12:00 noon/Tues. & Thurs.

Madison Literacy Council, Thrift Road, Old School Board Building, Madison, VA

Madison GED-6:00-8:30 p.m./Tues. & Thurs.

Madison Literacy Council, Thrift Road, Old School Board Building, Madison, VA

Gordonsville GED-6:30-9:00 p.m./Mon. & Wed.

Gordon-Barbour Elem. Library, 500 W. Baker St., Gordonsville, VA

Orange GED-6:30-9:00 p.m./Tues. & Thurs.

Orange County High School, Room #136, 201 Selma Rd., Orange, VA

Orange GED Fast Track- 6:00 -9:00 p.m./Tues. & Thurs.

Prospect Heights Annex, 200 Macon Drive, Orange, VA

Rappahannock GED-7:00-9:00 p.m./Mon. & Thurs.

Rappahannock County High School, 12576 Lee Highway, Washington, VA

**The Carver Center
for Applied Learning
GED Testing Schedule
Denise S. Vogt, Chief Examiner**

May 20 & 21, 2005
June 24 & 25, 2005
July 15 & 16, 2005
August 26 & 27, 2005
September 2 & 3, 2005

The Carver Center for Applied Learning is open to take your GED application:

Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

and Friday 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Additionally, we are open late on Monday and Thursday evenings until 8:00 p.m.

Effective June 1, 2004, all test takers must be assessed prior to signing up for the GED test.

This assessment is free and is given the first

Thursday of each month. Registration is required.

Regional Adult Education (540) 825-0476

**George Washington Carver
Applied Learning & Entrepreneur Center**

**New Career Opportunity!!
Northrop Grumman Supports GWC Welding Program
“Welders will be desperately needed to fulfill contracts at
Newport News that extend past 2017.”**



March 18, 2005. The Contract is signed.

**Vince Warren, Northrop Grumman Apprentice Craft Instructor, Sue Hansohn, Board of Supervisors
Catalpa District, Gary Roy, Northrop Grumman Training Administrator, Ramon Serrato, Director GWC,
Frank Bossio, Culpeper County Administrator, and Ami Strother, Executive Assistant GWC**

Our welding program and training facilities have proven to be premier among competitors. Our training program prepares students to weld structural steel, pipe, and aluminum. Northrop Grumman visited Culpeper and toured the welding facility. Impressed with the instructional integrity of the program, a second and third visit were made. On the third visit an agreement was signed permitting GWC to use Northrop Grumman's proprietary welding software, including annual updates and revisions. The agreement was signed on March 18th 2005 in the Culpeper County Administrator's office.

“I'm impressed with the welding instructor and the layout. I can see Northrop getting well trained potential welders from here,” said Gary Roy. According to Mr. Roy, welders will be desperately needed to fulfill contracts at Newport News that extend past 2017.

Northrop Grumman has invited GWC for a tour of their training school in Newport News, Virginia, so that GWC may align its additional training programs to meet most basic entry level apprenticeship programs that will meet other industry workforce training standards and qualifications.

This training program is open to the public. Please call 825-2817 for further information.

George Washington Carver Applied Learning and Entrepreneur Center (540)825-2817

Career Partners, Inc. Connecting Business with Education

In December 1997 the Culpeper County Chamber of Commerce, Public School System, County Government and Germanna Community College initiated a workforce development and education summit. This summit brought together 100 community leaders with the goal of connecting business with education. At this summit, community leaders established three guiding principles:

- To expand collaboration of local businesses, schools, colleges and government.
- To design innovative programs – to include smaller learning communities.
- To sustain the business and education connection, long-term.

As an outgrowth of the summit, in 1999, Career Partners, Inc. a not-for-profit, 501(C) (3) business/education, corporation was formed.

Our Vision: To build a recognized, world-class educational model
Career Partners is focused on a clear mission: To enable all students to make an informed career choice, to become better prepared to pursue that career choice, and to benefit local businesses by providing a more capable workforce.

What Sets Us Apart?

1. We're a collaborative partnership involving the entire community.
2. We're business-driven & business-led.
3. We offer a progressive and integrated set of programs which provide benefits and opportunities to high school students in Culpeper County.
4. There is active participation of the business community including:
 - Serving on the Board of Trustees and/or various work teams
 - Hosting teacher and student career shadowing
 - Providing guest speakers, working with project teams, and mentoring
 - Providing paid internships and apprenticeships
 - Investing financial resources

The development of educational programs through three Career Academies is the cornerstone of Career Partners, Inc. (Engineering & Technology, Health & Human Services, and Business, Finance & Marketing). These Academies offer high school students a rigorous academic program, a smaller learning community, up to ten college credits, and opportunities to collaborate with local businesses.

Career Academy Objectives

- To provide a rigorous academic curriculum, based on the Virginia Standards of Learning.
- To develop smaller learning communities for students.
- To provide opportunities for students to apply learning with a focus on a particular career path.
- To establish strong relationships between students and business through industry internships, apprenticeships and mentors.
- To offer multiple opportunities for students to earn college credits relevant to their career goals.

These career academy objectives are met through applied and integrated learning, core program teachers, community service projects, business mentors, internships and a professional apprenticeship program.

The Career Partner Internship and Apprenticeship Programs provide competitive, on-the-job learning opportunities for Career Academy Students that will further connect their educational curriculum with workforce development.

Internship Program Objectives

- To provide an opportunity for employers and educators to work together to offer students a meaningful summertime career-related learning experience.
- To give students a glimpse into reality, showing them what it takes to be successful in the workplace.
- To provide a chance for students to learn the importance of supervision, problem-solving, working with others, ethical behavior, and communication skills.

Apprenticeships offer a combination of on-the-job work experience and theoretical learning, occupation-specific programs certified by the Commonwealth of Virginia, and Business sponsored programs, typically 2-4 years in duration, that often result in apprentices receiving an Associate's Degree from a local Community College.

The Mentoring Program is designed to develop a professional working relationship between an aspiring student and a successful, established working adult. This program helps students find direction in their lives and allows business leaders to invest in the future of business in their community.

By providing internships, apprenticeships, and mentors, host businesses have an opportunity to develop key relationships with potential future employees.

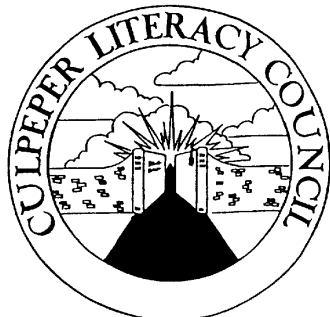
Our Newest Initiative – www.talenthound.com – online career resource center

One of the most exciting new initiatives available to all students, is a state-of-the-art online career resource center – www.talenthound.com – designed to assist in planning and choosing a future career, college, and/or education for lifetime opportunities.

The demands of this high-tech, information-rich 21st century on education are the most rigorous ever. In addition, the global economy requires today's businesses to have the best trained workforce, capable of leading innovation, change and continuous improvement to survive and flourish in the marketplace.

Whether you are a parent, student, teacher, business leader, community leader, or citizen you owe it to yourself to learn about Career Partners. We have opportunities today for you to invest in this nationally recognized, leading-edge program with your time, talent and finances (we are a qualified tax-deductible 501(C)(3) organization).

**To learn more go to our website at www.cpi-va.com or
Contact us at (540)727-7792; or E-mail us at mstay@cpi-va.com.**



CULPEPER LITERACY COUNCIL

Rapid advancement in technology is based on literacy skills. Those of us who have these skills take them for granted. Those with poor literacy are left behind. There are many adults in our community who have little or no skills in reading or in speaking English. They cannot fill out forms or applications for jobs. They cannot read letters from their child's teacher nor read to their child. Some are being turned down for better jobs because they lack a high school diploma.

The Culpeper Literacy Council (CLC) was established 17 years ago to help adults develop their literacy skills. To them, we offer these FREE programs:

- **One-on-one tutoring for adults who need to improve their reading skills**
- **Classroom instruction for adults who need to earn their General Educational Development (GED), a high school equivalency diploma; this includes inmates at the Culpeper County Jail**
- **One-on-one tutoring for adults who need to learn English as a second language**

These programs are vitally important to provide educational opportunities for the adults in Culpeper's Town & County. Last year, our 40 volunteer tutors contributed over 2,300 hours serving the 115 adult learners enrolled in our programs.

We receive only about half of our operating funds from the Piedmont United Way and from the Town and County governments. Therefore, we need tax-deductible donations to meet our shortfalls. Your donation will help us to enhance our programs, purchase materials, and conduct our daily operations, so that our adult learners have the opportunity they need to succeed. Thank you for considering this appeal. Contributions can be mailed to:

**CULPEPER LITERACY COUNCIL
415 S. MAIN STREET, SUITE 204
CULPEPER, VA 22701**

Call 825-5804 for information. We are a Piedmont United Way member agency.

Culpeper Literacy Council te ayuda a mejorar tu Inglés.



News from Culpeper County Schools

Summer Activities Happening in Culpeper County

- ❑ Culpeper County Public Schools Summer Enrichment Program
 - Contact Lynne Richardson, Gifted Program Coordinator, 825-4140 x4150
 - For 3rd - 5th graders (as of June 2005)
 - July 18 - 22 and July 25 - 29, 8:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Culpeper Middle School
 - School bus service will be available
 - Registration forms are available at all schools
 - Registration Deadline May 12*.
 - Fee: Free
- ❑ SummerQuest Regional Governor School
 - Contact Lynne Richardson, Gifted Program Coordinator, 825-4140 x4150
 - For identified gifted students in 5th – 7th grades (as of June 2005)
 - July 11 - 15 and July 18 - 22, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at Emerald Hill Elementary School
 - School bus service will NOT be available
 - Registration forms will be mailed to eligible students
 - Registration Deadline May 6*
 - Fee: Free
- ❑ 21st Century Summer School
 - Contact Linda Bowers, Summer School Curriculum Specialist, 825-3677 x3424
 - For kindergartners and 1st graders in Sycamore Park and Pearl Sample Elementary Schools (as of June 2005)
 - July 11 – 15, July 18 – 22, and July 25 – 29 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., at Sycamore Park Elementary School
 - School bus service will be available
 - Registration forms are available at Pearl Sample and Sycamore Park (child must be nominated by teacher)
 - Registration Deadline TBA
 - Fee: Free
- ❑ Remedial Summer School
 - Contact Linda Bowers, Summer School Curriculum Specialist, 825-3677 x3424
 - For 2nd, 3rd, and 5th graders (as of June 2005)
 - July 11 – 15, July 18 – 22, and July 25 – 29 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., at Sycamore Park Elementary School (2nd and 3rd grades) and Floyd T. Binns Middle Schools (5th graders)
 - School bus service will be available
 - Registration forms are available at all schools (child must be nominated by teacher)
 - Registration Deadline TBA
 - Fee: Free
- ❑ Bridges Kindergarten Enrichment Program
 - Contact Pam Jenkins or Dorenda Pullen, 829-7802
 - For children who qualify to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2005
 - July 11 – 15, July 18 – 22, and July 25 – 29 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., at Sycamore Park Elementary School
 - School bus service will be available
 - Registration forms are available at the Galbreath-Marshall Building on Old Fredericksburg Road and at each elementary school during kindergarten registration
 - Registration Deadline June 30
 - Fee: Free
- ❑ Culpeper County Child Care – “Kid Central”
 - Contact Dorenda Pullen, 829-2124
 - For ages 5-12 (as of June 2005)
 - June 13 – 17, June 20 – 24, June 27 – July 1, July 5 – 8, July 11 – 15, July 18 – 22, July 25 – 29, August 1 – 5, August 8 – 12, August 15 – 19, 6:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.; location TBA
 - School bus service will NOT be available
 - Registration forms are available at each elementary school and at the Galbreath-Marshall Building on Old Fredericksburg Road
 - Registration Deadline rolling (applications accepted starting April 15, maximum 250).
 - Fee: \$80 per week for 1 child, \$130 per week for 2 children, \$150 per week for three children
- ❑ Windmore Foundation for the Arts Children’s Theater Production
 - Contact Marty Moon, Executive Director, 727-8777
 - For ages 7-18 (as of June 2005)
 - July 22 (auditions), July 25 – August 5 (rehearsals), August 6 – 7 (shows), hours TBA, at Culpeper Middle School
 - School bus service will NOT be available
 - No registration required
 - Fee: Free
- ❑ Windmore Foundation for the Arts Children’s Theater Workshops
 - Contact Marty Moon, Executive Director, 727-8777
 - For ages 7-18 (as of June 2005)
 - July 11 – 15 and July 18 - 22, hours TBA at Culpeper Middle School
 - School bus service will NOT be available
 - Registration forms are available upon request
 - Registration Deadline rolling (maximum 30)
 - Fee: \$25 per week per child
- ❑ Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club Culpeper Summer Program
 - Contact Rob Bridges, Program Director, 829-8046
 - For ages 11-15 (as of June 2005)
 - July 1, July 5 – 8, July 11 – 15, July 19 - 22 7:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., at A.G. Richardson Elementary School
 - School bus service will NOT be available (except for field trips)
 - Registration forms are available at Floyd T. Binns Middle School, Culpeper Middle School, and at 129 East Davis Street, Suite 10
 - Registration Deadline June 24.
 - Fee: \$125 per child
- ❑ Culpeper County Parks and Recreation
 - See pages 15-26 for a complete listing of available activities.

* Deadline before scheduled delivery of *Culpeper Minutes*.

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TALENTED CULPEPER COUNTY MUSICIANS PERFORM ON NATIONAL STAGE

*Elementary Band Director Rebecca Haluska Plays at Carnegie Hall in New York;
CCHS Senior Emelie Thompson Sings in Hollywood*

It is a proud occasion whenever a Culpeper County student or teacher is recognized on the statewide level here in Virginia.

Imagine how delighted Dr. David Cox, division superintendent, and the entire school division staff were, therefore, when Culpeper County’s elementary band director and a high school senior were recognized on a nationwide level for their musical talents.

Rebecca Haluska, who joined CCPS in August as an instrumental music teacher on the elementary school level, is an accomplished musician in her own right. She plays the English horn and the oboe.

For her talents, Haluska was nominated to join the National Festival Orchestra – a group of talented classical musicians who are not already members of professional orchestras or symphonies, chosen by videotaped auditions from throughout the country. The NFO played selections from Mahler and Ravel to an audience at Manhattan’s renowned Carnegie Hall on January 16.

Amazingly, it was the second time Haluska had been chosen to play at Carnegie Hall. In May 2003 she performed with the National Wind Ensemble, when she was a student at Longwood University in Farmville.

Also this winter, Emelie Thompson, a senior at Culpeper County

High School, became the first Culpeper student ever named to the National Honors Choir, as recognized by the American Choral Directors’ Association (ACDA).

Thompson, who is an alto, sang at the association’s biennial convention in Los Angeles February 2 to 5 – which included a concert at the brand-new and architecturally celebrated Cathedral of Our Lady of Angels.

Like Haluska’s membership in the National Festival Orchestra, membership in the National Honors Choir comes only after beating out auditions from throughout the nation.

Thompson, a member of the 2004 Virginia All-State Choir, is an accomplished stage performer and member of numerous choral groups at CCHS. In tandem with her classmate, CCHS senior Ashley Coleman, she became one of the first two teen-agers ever to direct a Windmore Foundation for the Arts production last September.

Last, but certainly not least, even with her numerous activities and performing schedule, Thompson is also a perennial honor roll student and a member of the National Honor Society.

Congratulations again to Haluska and Thompson for making Culpeper proud!

Rappahannock-Rapidan Medical Reserve Corps

Join the Rappahannock-Rapidan Medical Reserve Corps and receive optional training.

Future optional classes are:

- Red Cross Basic First Aid August 27, 2005
- Directing Traffic Safely To be determined
- Introduction to Hazardous Materials October 26, 2005

Martha, one of five students who recently completed the optional Sign Language for Dispensing Sites class, said “I loved the sign language class for dispensing sites. I learned more in a few weeks than I could have imagined. If there is ever an issue of terrorism, I will now be more confident in helping ALL of the people. I will continue to learn through some DVDs I purchased on American Sign Language.”

Please consider joining the Rappahannock-Rapidan Medical Reserve Corps today! You do not need to have medical training, and the time commitment is only 3-6 hours per year. Culpeper County has 75 registered volunteers. There are 226 registered volunteers in the five counties. However, more volunteers are still needed to assist the Health Department in the event of a public health emergency. Orientation classes will take place on:

- Wednesday, May 25 at the Fauquier Hospital from 6:00-9:00 pm
- Tuesday, June 14 at the Orange Rescue Squad from 9:00am -12 noon.

For more information or to register for an orientation/training class please call 540-829-7350 or email RRMRC@vdh.virginia.gov

KID CENTRAL 2005 Summer Day Camp

June - August 19

“Madagascar”

It's A Jungle Out There !

Susan Hensley

KID CENTRAL invites you to travel with us this summer...

As the ship docks on the shores of Madagascar...we realize ...
It's A Jungle Out There!

It's June 20th, base camp has been set up in the village of Sycamore Park, and soon the Culpeper Adventurers will arrive. Our plan is to have 28 experienced Bushmen lead this expedition of 200, five to twelve year old adventurers through a summer adventure, like none they have ever experienced.

Base Camp Training will run Monday through Friday 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. This training will prepare our adventurers for Safari Hunts into the jungle. Training will include:

- ~Madagascar Art Classes
- ~Jungle Crafts
- ~Karate wild game "take down"
- ~Native Wildlife Classes
- ~Kids Get Fit Training
- ~Native Cuisine (4-H Cooking)
- ~Jungle Dress Code (4-H Fashion Review)
- ~Anaconda filled river divert tactics (swimming)
- ~Madagascar Archaeology studies (Culpeper Library)
- ~Wheeling through the Madagascar plateau (Dominion Skating Center)

At the end of each two week training Session, Safari Adventures will be lead through the jungles where:

- *We'll meet Tarzan in Chantilly and swing through the Air & Space Museum, plus IMAX
- *We'll drive jeep caravans through great prides of lions, King of the Jungle, to seek out the "Little Princess" at Riverside Theater.
- *We'll swim through croc-infested waters to reach The Massanutten Water Park
- *Last, but not least, a great elephant journey will take us to the hidden city of Brandy Station Carnival.

Once these Safari Session Trips are mastered, the truly challenging of all hunts will strike out for the **BIG GAME HUNT** August 15-19 to:

- ~The great mouse hunt to Chuck-E Cheese
- ~The deepest darkest jungle trip to the movies
- ~The wild bear hunt in Shenandoah National Park
- ~Going beneath the earth at Shenandoah Caverns to discover the Rainbow Lake and out into the valley of "America on Parade", where artifacts are stored from the N.Y.C. Parade Jungle.
- ~The bluest of lagoons, in Front Royal (4-H pool)



~Then, as we club our way through the bat caves of Putt-Putt Mini Golf

~We will end our Safari in the Paradise of all jungles, FUNLAND.

IF ADVENTURE IS WHAT YOU SEEK...

KID CENTRAL Summer Day Camp is the place to be:

“Madagascar”

It's A Jungle Out There!

Registration Open

To have your
passport stamped

Call 829-2124 for reservations, or stop by any of our five After-School Programs at each of the five Culpeper Elementary Schools for a registration form.

And visit KID CENTRAL at
www.kidcentralculpeperva.com